Nehru Yuva Kendras along with Scheme of National Service Volunteers are functioning in 14 districts of Jammu & Kashmir. A sum of Rs.1.27 crore was incurred on these schemes. A programmes for visit of Kashmir rural youth to other parts of the country was also implemented at cost of Rs. 0.56 crore. Sports Authority of India (SAI) has a SAI Training Centre and has adopted two schools under National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC) scheme in the State of Jammu & Kashmir.

Monitoring voluntary organisations receiving funds through NYK

†2205. DR. CHHATTARPAL SINGH LODHA: Will the Minister of YOUTH
AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of voluntary organisations receiving funds through Nehru Yuva Kendra against whom complaint of irregularities have been received during the last five years, the State-wise details thereof;

(b) the action taken thereon and the names of the organisations against whom complaints have been received;

(c) whether action has also been initiated against those offices who had recommended the proposals of the organizations; and

(d) the mechanism in place for monitoring the voluntary organizations receiving funds through Nehru Yuva Kendra?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SUNIL DUTT): (a) The Voluntary Organisations are not receiving any funds from Nehru Yuva Kendras. However, applications of some voluntary organisations
for seeking financial assistance from the Ministry were recommended by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Guidelines for paying more importance to sports

2206. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to frame guidelines for schools in the country to take sports seriously so that students are not stressed out by heavy burden of books;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.